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MARCH MEETING OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

A stated meeting of the Society was held on the evening of March 11, 1878, the President (Mr. Wallace) in the chair.

On behalf of the sculptor, Mr. Joseph A. Bailly, the Hon. Benjamin Harris Brewster presented to the Society a bust of Gen. Meade, which was accepted by the President.

Henry Flanders, Esq., read a memoir of Thomas Fitzsimmons, a member of the Convention which formed the Constitution of the United States, a partner of the pre-Revolutionary firm of Mead and Fitzsimmons of the city of Philadelphia.

A biographical sketch of Gouverneur Morris by Miss Catharine Keppele Meredith was read by Mr. William J. Morris. William Henry Ruddiman, Esq., announced the death, upon the 15th of February, of Joseph J. Mickley, one of the Council of the Society, and read an obituary notice of that gentleman.

The President read the Regulations of the Philadelphia Dancing Assembly, of 1748–9, recently found among the papers of John Swift, one of the four managers; and presented to the Society by his great-grandson, Mr. Charles Riché Hildeburn.

The President then announced, that by the charter an election for certain officers, would be held on the 6th of May, 1878, and that all nominations must be made at the present meeting.

John Goforth, Esq., nominated the present officers for the places which would become vacant with the close of the charter year.

The thanks of the Society were unanimously given to the different persons to whom it was indebted for the papers read and for the reading of them.

The President announced that at eight o'clock, on the evening of Monday, April 8, 1878, Mr. Solomon W. Roberts, Civil Engineer, would read before the Society a paper entitled Reminiscences of the First Railroad Across the Allegheny Mountain.